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Newsletter 11 – Summer Term

10th July 2020

## A message from the head.....

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely seeing some of you at report collection this week. I hope you are pleased with your child's reports, the teachers have worked really hard getting them ready despite the current circumstances. If your child hasn't watched their new teacher's video please can I encourage them to watch it to help them with the transition in September.

Today I am sending out a detailed PowerPoint outlining our plans for September. There is a lot of information included and it's really important you take the time to read it. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Please note these plans will only change if the government guidelines change, we very much hope this won't be the case!

Hope you have a lovely weekend.

Denise Burgess

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This week's letters home – look for them on our school website under parents/letters home

Class arrangements for September 2020

## REMINDERS

### End of Term

Please ensure you have made note of the school closing for the end of term next Thursday at the end of the school day.

**There is no school for children on Friday 17th July.**



## September 2020

Breakfast After School Extra-Curricular Friday

Please note booking for **Breakfast & After School Club** will be available for booking from **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 6pm** until **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 1pm**. Bookings cannot be made over the summer holidays but will reopen on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 9am**. You will need to book on [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com).

**Friday Club** booking will open on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 9am**. You will need to book on [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com).

We will not be running any **Extra Curricular clubs** in the Autumn Term.

## SCHOOL MEALS

The menu will be circulated to parents on Tuesday 14th July and can also be found on the school website at

[www.greatdenhamprimary.org.uk/parents/school-meals](http://www.greatdenhamprimary.org.uk/parents/school-meals)

A meal must be booked for all children wanting a meal, even those receiving Free School Meals or who are in Reception Year 1 & 2 and received the Government funded Universal Infant Free School Meal.

You will need to book on [www.sims-pay.co.uk](http://www.sims-pay.co.uk) by the Saturday before the week you want your child to receive a school meal.

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### DIARY DATES

- **REVISED Thu 16<sup>th</sup> July** – Last day of Term
- **Fri 17<sup>th</sup> July – SCHOOL CLOSED**
- **W/C Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Children in Year 1-6 return to school
- **Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Year 6 Leavers celebration

## iPad Scheme: Year 2 → Year 3

As the children in Year 2 move into Year 3 we will be offering them the option of joining our hugely successful 1:1 iPad leasing scheme.

More details will follow in September.



## Medication in School

Please ensure you have collected your child's medication by the end of term. Any medication left in school will be disposed of on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

In September, if your child requires medication in school you will need to bring it into school on your child's first day back in September along with a Medicine Authorisation Form. Forms are available to download from our school website at <https://www.greatdenhamprimary.org.uk/parents/forms> or you can collect one from the school office.

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## Reports & Project books

There are a number of families who have still not collected their child's reports and their books from this year. Any reports not collected by the end of term will need to be collected from the office from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Any project books not collected will not be able to be stored over the summer unfortunately. We are not able to deliver reports and books this time due to how busy school is at this time of year.

## PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL

The new payment system [www.SIMS-PAY.co.uk](http://www.SIMS-PAY.co.uk) is now up and running and working well. From September we would prefer parents to use this method rather than bringing cash or cheques into school. However, we will still be accepting cash at the office – please do not send cash with your child to give to the teacher.

From September we will not be able to accept cheques.

If you have any queries regarding SIMS-PAY please contact Claire or Rachel in the school office.

## Stars of the week

Class	9th July	Class	9th July
Little Stars	Evie & Leo	Auriga	Hasna
Cassiopeia	Kaliese & Sapphire-Rose	Eridanus	William
Orion	Amiya & Maxwell	Vela	Thomas
Tucana	Ashton & Evelyn	Lyra	Umair
Aquila	Max & Luke	Lacerta	Ayana & Maciej
Cygnus	Maddie & Xari	Circinus	Justinas & Damian
Pavo	Harry & Melody	Care Club - Y2	Euan
Volans	Kawthar	Care Club - Y3	Eli
Delphinus	James	Care Club - Y3/4	Florence
Andromeda	Lottie	Care Club - Y4/5	Addison
Pegasus	Hollie	Care Club - Y5	All the class
Perseus	Naima		



# LOCAL EVENTS & ADVERTS



Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing  
Service for Children and Young People

## Workshop for Parents, Children & Young People: Transitioning post COVID-19

Is your child worried about going back  
to school post COVID-19?

The CHUMS Family Wellbeing Team are offering a one-off virtual workshop which will provide strategies to help manage worries related to transitioning back to school.

For children under the age of 10 years old we will offer a parent only workshop. We are also offering a workshop for young people aged 11+.

If you are interested in attending this workshop please contact us on the email address below by 31st July 2020 and provide parent/carer name, child's name and contact number. email: [fwteam@chums.uk.com](mailto:fwteam@chums.uk.com)

A Child Wellbeing Practitioner will then make contact with you within 7 working days.

Spaces are limited so please contact us to avoid disappointment.

CHUMS Main Office: Wrest Park Enterprise Centre, Wrest Park, Silsoe, Bedfordshire, MK45 4HS.  
[www.chums.uk.com](http://www.chums.uk.com)